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**ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT**

**Description of proposal:** PUGET SOUND CHINOOK HARVEST RESOURCE  
MANAGEMENT PLAN-FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (FEIS)

**Proponent:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, 600 Capitol Way North, Olympia,  
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**Location of current proposal:** The Puget Sound Action Area is bounded on the east by the Cascade Mountain Range and on the west by the Olympic Mountains. Its northern part reaches the international boundary between the United States and Canada, and it ends at the base of the low hills of the Coast Mountain Range near Olympia. The surrounding land mass of the action area includes approximately 13,600 square miles, 20 percent of the State of Washington's total surface land mass (66,582 square miles).

The Puget Sound Action Area includes all marine waters of the State of Washington east of, and including the Strait of Juan de Fuca. The action area also includes all State of Washington freshwater tributaries of these marine waters east of the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and the freshwater tributaries of the Strait of Juan de Fuca east of, and including the Elwha River drainage.

Puget Sound in the State of Washington, Parts, of Townships 21 and 41 and Townships 22 through 40 North, Parts of Ranges 04 East and 04 West, and Ranges 01 through 03 East and Ranges 01 through 03 West WM

**Title of document being adopted:** PUGET SOUND CHINOOK HARVEST RESOURCE  
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**Agency that prepared document being adopted:** National Marine Fisheries Service,  
Northwest Region with Assistance from the Puget Sound Treaty Tribes and Washington  
Department of Fish and Wildlife.

**Date adopted document was prepared:** December 2004

**Description of document (or portion) being adopted:**

PUGET SOUND CHINOOK HARVEST RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN-FINAL  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (FEIS)

The proposed action analyzed in the FEIS is implementation of the Puget Sound Chinook Harvest Resource Management Plan. The Resource Management Plan would regulate commercial, recreational, ceremonial, and subsistence salmon fisheries potentially affecting the listed Puget Sound Chinook Salmon Evolutionarily Significant Unit within the marine and freshwater areas of Puget Sound, from the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca inward. It

excludes Washington Commercial Salmon Management Catch Reporting Area 4B during the months from May to September, when this area is under jurisdiction of the Pacific Fisheries Management Council.

**If the document being adopted has been challenged (197-11-630), please describe:** NA

**The document is available to be read, for the next 30 days at:**

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On line: [http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/fish/papers/ps\\_chinook\\_management/harvest/index.htm](http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/fish/papers/ps_chinook_management/harvest/index.htm)

**We have identified and adopted this document as being appropriate for this proposal after independent review. The document meets our environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decision maker.**

**Name of agency adopting the document:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

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